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SUBJECT: ANDELMAN "EXPULSION" FROM LAOS

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1. SINCE HIS RETURN TO BANGKOK FOLLOWING HIS SPEEDY DEPARTURE FROM VIENTIANE SEPTEMBER 1, NEW YORK TIMES CORRESPONDENT DAVID ANDELMAN HAS CLOSETED HIMSELF TO WRITE NUMBER OF ARTICLE FOR BOTH THE PAPER AND THE SUNDAY MAGAZINE, AT HIS EDITOR'S REQUEST. HE TOLD US HE SAW NO POINT IN MENTIONING IN THE ARTICLES CIRCUMSTANCES OF HIS DEPARTURE, WHICH HE BLAMED ENTIRELY ON THE INTERIOR MINISTRY, MINDFUL PERHAPS OF A PDRL FOREIGN MINISTRY INJUNCTION THAT HIS ADMISSION INTO LAOS WAS A TEST CASE AND WHAT HE WROTE WOULD DETERMINE IF ANY OTHER AMERICAN JOURNALIST WOULD BE SIMILARLY INVITED.

2. AS VIENTIANE NOTED (REF B), ANDELMAN DOES NOT INTEND TO PULL HIS PUNCHES IN HIS ARTICLES. HE SAID HE FOUND LAOS MORE CHAOTIC AND DEPRESSING THAN AT THE THE TIME OF HIS VISIT LATE LAST YEAR AND ADDED HE WAS GOING TO WRITE TO THIS EFFECT. HIS DESIRE TO TELL THE TRUTH AS HE SAW IT MAY CONFLICT WITH THE IMPLIED  
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THREATS OF THE LAO FOREIGN MINISTRY (PARA ONE).  
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